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X	GB 2 012 616 A (GEN MOTORS CORP) 1 August 1979 cited in the application see the whole document ---	1-3, 6-13
X	EP 0 398 128 A (DEGUSSA) 22 November 1990  see the whole document especially page 3, line 20 - line 22 ---	1, 2, 8, 9, 11-13
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